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SUBJECT: US-USSR S&T AGREEMENT: JOINT COMMISSION MEETING (01.00):
ATTENDANCE BY KIRILLIN

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1. IN 9 JUNE MEETING AY SCST, AYKAZYAN SAID THAT HE HAS JUST
LEARNED THAT KIRILLIN "HAS JUST BEOME UNMARRIED...."
THUS KIRILLIN WILL NOT BRING HIS WIFE (REFTEL A), BUT WOULD
FEEL EMBARRASSED ABOUT HAVING TO ANSWER THAT PART OF DR. PRESS'S
LETTER OF 31 MAY. AYKAZYAN ASKED IF EMBOFF COULD NOT TRY TO
SEE THAT THE MATTER NOT BE DISCUSSED WITH KIRILLIN OR THE
SOVIET DELEGATION DURING THE WASHINGTON VISIT, SINCE "IT IS
PAINFUL FOR KIRILLIN." AYKAZYAN THEREUPON MOTIONED AT HIS OWN
HEART, INDICATING THAT KIRILLIN WAS HEARTBROEKN OVER THE SITUATION.

2. FYI. BEFORE EMBASSY SENT REF B., EMBOFF HAD INFORMALLY
BROACHED IDEA OF HAVING MRS. KIRILLIN INCLUDED, SINCE SHE WAS VERY
GRACIOUS HOSTESS IN 1975 JCM IN MOSCOW AND SINCE KIRILLIN WOULD
PROBABLY FIND IT DIFFICULT FOR HIMSELF TO SUGGEST HER INCLUSION.
AYKAZYAN LIKED THE IDEA, BUT SAID THAT HE DID NOT WANT THE U.S.
HOSTS TO GO TO ANY TROUBLE. HE FELT THAT IF U.S. INVITED
MRS. KIRILLIN, THEN CHAIRMAN WOULD GIVE HER INCLUSION FAVORABLE
CONSIDERATION. IN 9 JUNE MEETING, AYKAZYAN SEEMED EMBARRASSED
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BY THE MATTER AND PULLED EMBOFF ASIDE IN HALL WITH INFORMATION
ON MARRIAGE FAILURE, INSTEAD OF HIS NORMAL PRACTICE OF DISCUSSING
COOPERATION MATTERS IN A GROUP IN ONE OF SCST'S SPECIAL ROOMS FOR
MEETINGS WITH FOREIGNERS. APPARENTLY, NEWS OF KIRILLIN'S
MARITAL MISFORTUNE IS BEING VERY THIGHTLY HELD, EVEN WITHIN SCST.
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